

# **Michigan School Readiness Program**

## **Legislative Update**

**October 31, 2007**

### **Conference Agreement**

#### **1. School District/Public School Academy (PSA) MSRP**

##### **Section 32d:**

- Tentative funds totaling \$80.9 million have been designated under Section 32d of the State School Aid Act to provide preschool programs for four-year-old children who have circumstances in their lives that may place them "at-risk" of educational failure.
- \$79,100 is added to continue funding the longitudinal study of the program for a total \$279,100.
- Funding for the Parent Involvement and Education (PIE) option is capped at the amount that the grantee spent on that option in FY 2006-2007.
- Grantees may contract with for-profit or non-profit preschool center providers that meet all provisions of the *Early Childhood Standards of Quality for Prekindergarten*.

##### **Section 37:**

- Head Start is required as a community child development partner in the Community Needs and Resources Assessment (CNRA).
- Collaborative recruitment and enrollment efforts between early childhood partners, including Head Start and Agency (Competitive) MSRPs are required.

##### **Section 39:**

- \$2.3 million funds an increase in the per child allocation from \$3,300 to \$3,400.
- Pending legislation continues the option and funding provisions for providing Full-Day classroom services.

#### **2. MSRP Agency (Competitive)**

##### **Section 32I:**

- Tentative funds totaling \$12.65 million have been designated to provide preschool programs for four-year-old children who have circumstances in their lives that may place them "at-risk" of educational failure.

- \$400,000 funds an increase in the per child allocation from \$3,300 to \$3,400.
- Head Start and School District/PSAs are required as community child development partners in the Community Needs Assessment.
- Collaborative recruitment and enrollment efforts between early childhood partners, including Head Start and MSRP, are required.

### **3. *NEW***

#### **Section 32:**

- If, at the January 2008 revenue estimating conference, revenues are higher than previously estimated, the following additional appropriations would be allocated:
- \$2.3 million to Section 32d, increasing the per pupil allocation from \$3,400 to \$3,500.
- \$400,000 to Section 32l, increasing the per pupil allocation from \$3,400 to \$3,500.